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- **Failed after 11 all-day meetings**
 - **Growers walked away**
 - **Wanted old waiver**
 - **Argued RWQCB did not have authority**

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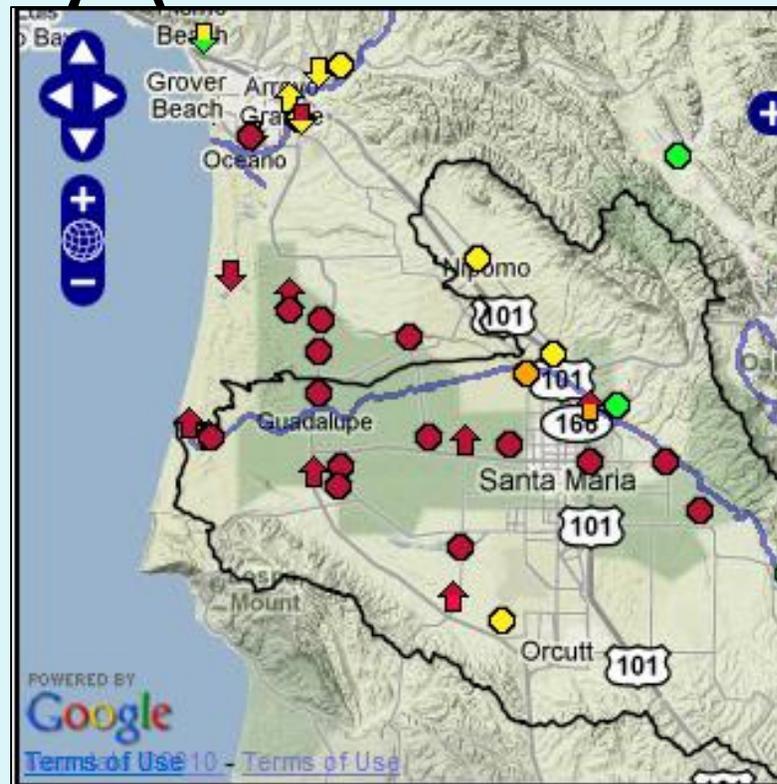
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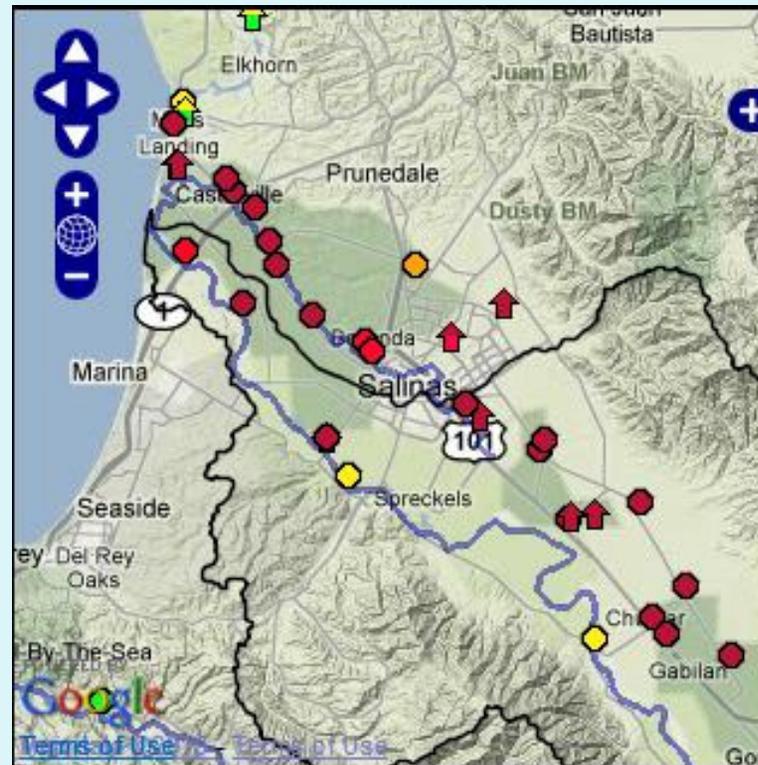
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- **Existing order is not protective of water quality**
- **Existing order is not being enforced**

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